SENATE BILL 629

By Bell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, Chapter 6, Part 9, relative to workers' compensation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated Section 50-6-914(b)(1), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting the following:

- (A) Notwithstanding subsection (a) and subject to subdivision (b)(2), a general contractor, intermediate contractor, or subcontractor is not liable for workers' compensation to a construction services provider listed on the registry established pursuant to this part.
- (B) Notwithstanding subsection (a) and subject to subdivision (b)(2), a general contractor, intermediate contractor, or subcontractor is not liable for workers' compensation to a construction services provider for injuries occurring during the time period of December 9, 2019, through September 9, 2021, if the following conditions are met:
 - (i) During the time period of December 9, 2017, through December 9, 2021, the construction services provider provided the general contractor, intermediate contractor, or subcontractor a notice of registration from the secretary of state showing exemption from § 50-6-902(a);
 - (ii) The general contractor, intermediate contractor, or subcontractor did not obtain workers' compensation insurance to cover the construction service provider providing the notice of registration; and

(iii) The construction services provider's exemption registry registration was revoked on December 9, 2019, pursuant to § 50-6-908(b)(1)(C), and the construction services provider failed to inform the general contractor, the intermediate contractor, or the subcontractor of the revocation.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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